

(1) Is filed by the applicant within thirty (30) days from the date of the letter or order giving the reasons for the partial or conditioned grant;

(2) Rejects the grant as made and explains the reasons why the application should be granted as originally requested; and,

(3) Returns the instrument of authorization.

(e) The Commission will designate an application for a formal hearing, specifying with particularity the matters and things in issue, if, upon consideration of the application, any pleadings or objections filed, or other matters which may be officially noticed, the Commission determines that:

(1) A substantial and material question of fact is presented (see also § 1.2108);

(2) The Commission is unable for any reason to make the findings specified in paragraph (a) of this section and the application is acceptable for filing, complete, and in accordance with the Commission's rules, regulations, and other requirements; or

(3) The application is entitled to comparative consideration (under § 24.431) with another application (or applications).

(f) The Commission may grant, deny or take other action with respect to an application designated for a formal hearing pursuant to paragraph (e) of this section or part 1 of this chapter.

(g) [Reserved]

(h) Reconsideration or review of any final action taken by the Commission will be in accordance with Subpart A of part 1 of this chapter.

#### **§§ 24.433–24.438 [Reserved]**

#### **§ 24.439 Transfer of control or assignment of station authorization.**

(a) Approval required. Authorizations shall be transferred or assigned to another party, voluntarily (for example, by contract) or involuntarily (for example, by death, bankruptcy, or legal disability), directly or indirectly or by transfer of control of any corporation holding such authorization, only upon application and approval by the Commission. A transfer of control or assignment of station authorization in the narrowband Personal Communica-

tions Service is also subject to § 24.309 (Designated Entities) and § 1.2111 (Assignment or transfer of control: unjust enrichment).

(1) A change from less than 50% ownership to 50% or more ownership shall always be considered a transfer of control.

(2) In other situations a controlling interest shall be determined on a case-by-case basis considering the distribution of ownership, and the relationships of the owners, including family relationships.

(b) Form required—(1) Assignment.

(i) FCC Form 490 shall be filed to assign a license or permit.

(ii) In the case of involuntary assignment, FCC Form 490 shall be filed within 30 days of the event causing the assignment.

(2) *Transfer of control.* (i) FCC Form 490 shall be submitted in order to transfer control of a corporation holding a license or permit.

(ii) In the case of involuntary transfer of control, FCC Form 490 shall be filed within 30 days of the event causing the transfer.

(3) *Form 430.* Whenever an application must be filed under paragraph (a) (1) or (2) of this section, the assignee or transferee shall file FCC Form 430 ("Common Carrier Radio License Qualification Report") unless an accurate report is on file with the Commission.

(4) *Notification of completion.* The Commission shall be notified by letter of the date of completion of the assignment or transfer of control.

(5) If the transfer of control of a license is approved, the new licensee is held to the original build-out requirement of § 24.103.

(c) In acting upon applications for transfer of control or assignment, the Commission will not consider whether the public interest, convenience, and necessity might be served by the transfer or assignment of the authorization to a person other than the proposed transferee or assignee.

(d) [Reserved]

#### **§§ 24.440–24.442 [Reserved]**

#### **§ 24.443 Extension of time to complete construction.**

(a) If construction is not completed within the time period set forth in

§24.103, the authorization will automatically expire. Before the period for construction expires an application for an extension of time to complete construction (FCC Form 489) may be filed. See paragraph (b) of this section. Within 30 days after the authorization expires an application for reinstatement may be filed on FCC Form 489.

(b) An application for extension of time to complete construction may be made on FCC Form 489. Extension of time requests must be filed prior to the expiration of the construction period. Extensions will be granted only if the licensee shows that the failure to complete construction is due to causes beyond his control. An application for modification of an authorization (under construction) does not extend the initial construction period. If additional time to construct is required, an FCC Form 489 must be submitted.

**§24.444 Termination of authorization.**

(a)(1) All authorizations shall terminate on the date specified on the authorization or on the date specified by these rules, unless a timely application for renewal has been filed.

(2) If no application for renewal has been made before the authorization's expiration date, a late application for renewal will only be considered if it is filed within 30 days of the expiration date and shows that the failure to file a timely application was due to causes beyond the applicant's control. During this 30 day period reinstatement applications must be filed on FCC Form 489. Service to subscribers need not be suspended while a late filed renewal application is pending, but such service shall be without prejudice to Commission action on the renewal application and any related sanctions. See also §24.16 (Criteria for Comparative Renewal Proceedings).

(b) Special Temporary Authority. A special temporary authorization shall automatically terminate upon failure to comply with the conditions in the authorization.

**Subpart H—Competitive Bidding Procedures for Broadband PCS**

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**§24.701 Broadband PCS subject to competitive bidding.**

Mutually exclusive initial applications to provide broadband PCS service are subject to competitive bidding procedures. The general competitive bidding procedures found in 47 CFR part 1, subpart Q will apply unless otherwise provided in this part.

**§24.702 Competitive bidding design for Broadband PCS licensing.**

(a) The Commission will employ the following competitive bidding designs when choosing from among mutually exclusive initial applications to provide broadband PCS service:

(1) Simultaneous multiple round auctions.

(2) Sequential auctions.

(b) The Commission may design and test alternative procedures. The Commission will announce by Public Notice before each auction the competitive bidding design to be employed in a particular auction.

(c) The Commission may use combinatorial bidding, which would allow bidders to submit all or nothing bids on combinations of licenses, in addition to bids on individual licenses. The Commission may require that to be declared the high bid, a combinatorial bid must exceed the sum of the individual bids by a specified amount or percentage. Combinatorial bidding may be used with any type of auction design.

(d) The Commission may use single combined auctions, which combine bidding for two or more substitutable licenses and award licenses to the highest bidders until the available licenses are exhausted. This technique may be used in conjunction with any type of auction.

**§24.703 Competitive bidding mechanisms.**

(a) *Sequencing.* The Commission will establish and may vary the sequence in which broadband PCS licenses will be auctioned.

(b) *Grouping.* In the event the Commission uses either a simultaneous multiple round competitive bidding design or combinatorial bidding, the